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bathed, and 469 bundles of clothing and bedding were disinfected by steam.

Sulphur was burned in the holds of the steamers *Peru* and *Riojun Maru* to kill rats. Two individuals were rejected during the week because of fever. The plague situation remains practically unchanged, 155 cases and 152 deaths having been reported to the sanitary authorities during the week. The total cases reported thus far this year are, therefore, 1,423 and 1,354 deaths. The present epidemic has undoubtedly been more severe than any since 1894, and more Europeans have suffered than in any plague epidemic in this city.

Two cases of enteric fever were also reported to the sanitary authorities during the week. No reliable information was obtainable regarding the health of Canton during the week.

Respectfully,

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COLOMBIA.

Report from Bocas del Toro—Fruit port.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, *July 17, 1901.*

SIR: I have to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended July 16, 1901:

Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, 2 cases and no deaths; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 2. Prevailing diseases, yellow fever, and malarial fever, both to a limited extent. The 2 deaths were Jamaica negroes—1 pulmonary hemorrhage and 1 cause unknown. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week fairly good. I hear of very little malarial fever. The only yellow-fever cases that I can obtain information of are those that occur in my practice. The native physicians never report these cases, if any exist. Either they are ignorant of the disease or endeavor to hide it.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: July 10, Norwegian steamship *Simon Dumois*; crew, 16; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. July 13, Norwegian steamship *John Wilson*; crew, 18; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

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Another case of yellow fever at Bocas del Toro.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, *July 17, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose herewith a chart of a case diagnosed yellow fever, the patient being Mrs. F. E. Read, now convalescent, mention of which was made in my communication of July 10.